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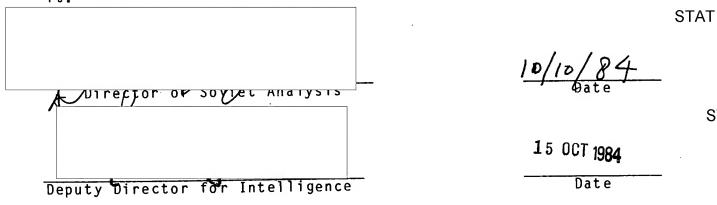
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I have reviewed the attached request and with the understanding that the presentation will be unclassified, approve it.



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Soviet View of East-West Relations Five Years After SALT II

- I. Key Soviet Perspectives
 - A. Correlation of forces
 - 1. From optimism toward pessimism
 - 2. From intercontinental to medium range focus
 - 3. Trends: 1979 vs 1984
 - B. Main Adversary United States
 - 1. Harshness toward incumbent President, '80 and '84
 - 2. State of relationship: from "unsatisfactory" to something worse
 - 3. Defense policies--long-term or transitory?
 - 4. Is downturn in relations cyclical or linear?
 - C. European Battleground
 - 1. East Europe intrudes Poland
 - 2. West Europe stiffens internal as well as NATO changes pose challenge
- II. Domestic Political Dimension
 - A. Brezhnev era stability in 1979
 - 1. Long-time team of seniors in place
 - 2. Importance of foreign policy to them
 - B. Brezhnev's decline coincides with downturn in East-West relations -- 1980 - 1982
 - 1. Kosygin and Suslov depart
 - 2. Andropov and Chernenko arrive
 - C. Andropov interlude -- 1982 1984
 - 1. Unsettling drive against corruption
 - 2. INF and US policies dominate Andropov's E-W policy
 - D. Chernenko succeeds -- 1984
 - 1. Relations with military
 - 2. Place of foreign policy on his agenda?
 - 3. Gromyko and Ustinov more powerful?
 - 4. Fathers and Sons?
- III. Soviet Behavior
 - A. Detente remains policy
 - 1. Is it as central? Has it paid off?
 - 2. Is it only for Europe?
 - 3. Is anyone's politial career dependent on it?
 - 4. What expectations for it?

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- Negotiations В.
 - Slowness in acting--put off rather than face?
 - Leave the table re bilateral talks with US
 - Threats carried out
- Confidence С.
 - 1. Can international isolation of USSR be avoided?
 - Is international situation "dangerous" to USSR? 2.
- Outlook D.
 - 1. No initiatives in 1984
 - Can foreign affairs be put on back burner?
 - 3. Lowered expectations
 - Shift to "European" issues (CDE, MBFR)?
 - Is there a Soviet strategy for E-W relations? 5.